

CHAPTER

123

ATTACK on TITAN



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BUT
MAYBE
THAT'S
WRONG.

EVEN I
BELIEVED
IT.

EVERYONE
SAYS
EREN HAS
CHANGED.

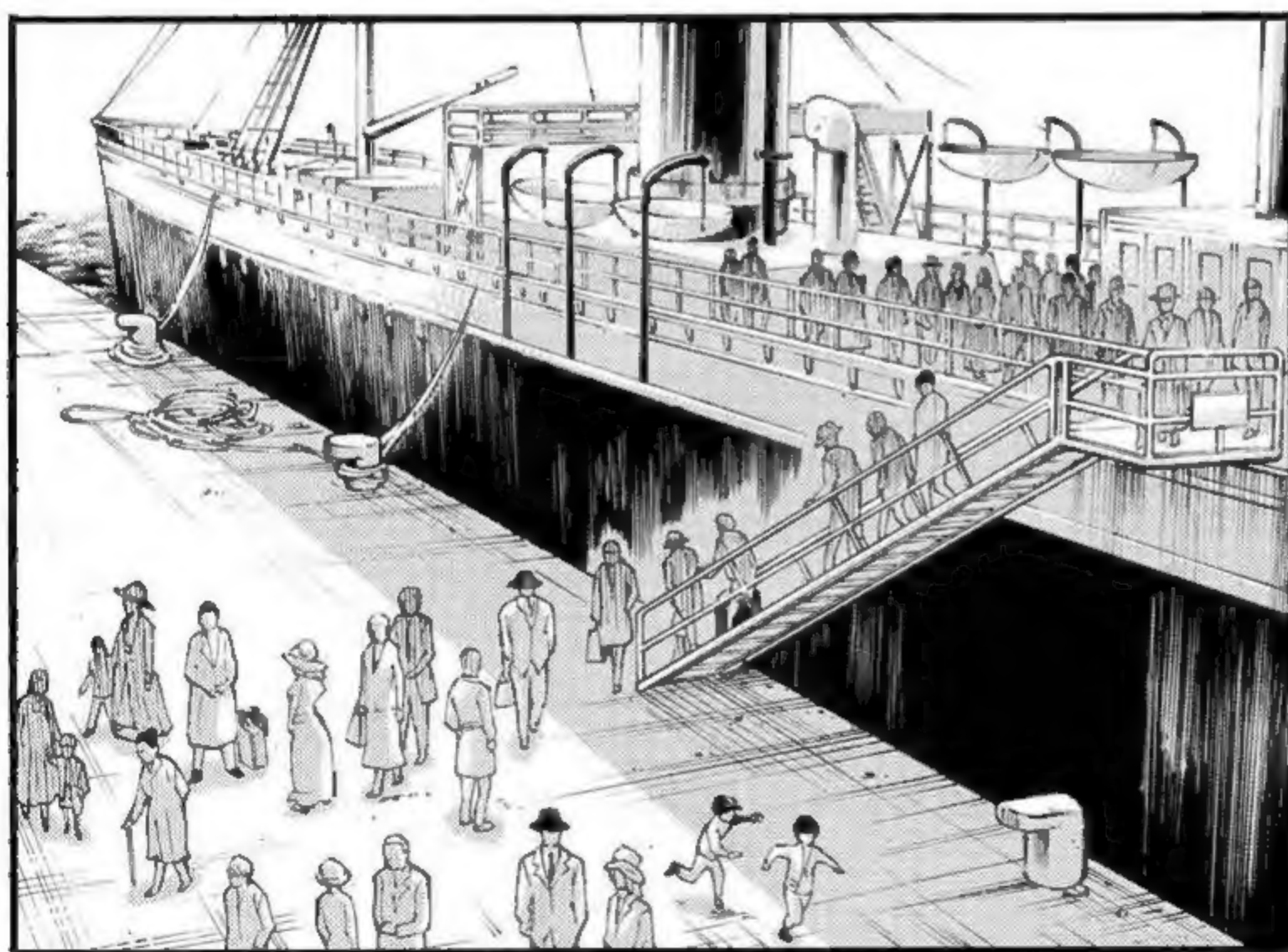


IF THAT'S
WHO EREN
TRULY WAS
ALL ALONG...

EREN
HASN'T
CHANGED
ONE BIT
FROM THE
START.



...WHAT
PART OF
HIM...HAD
I BEEN
SEEING?

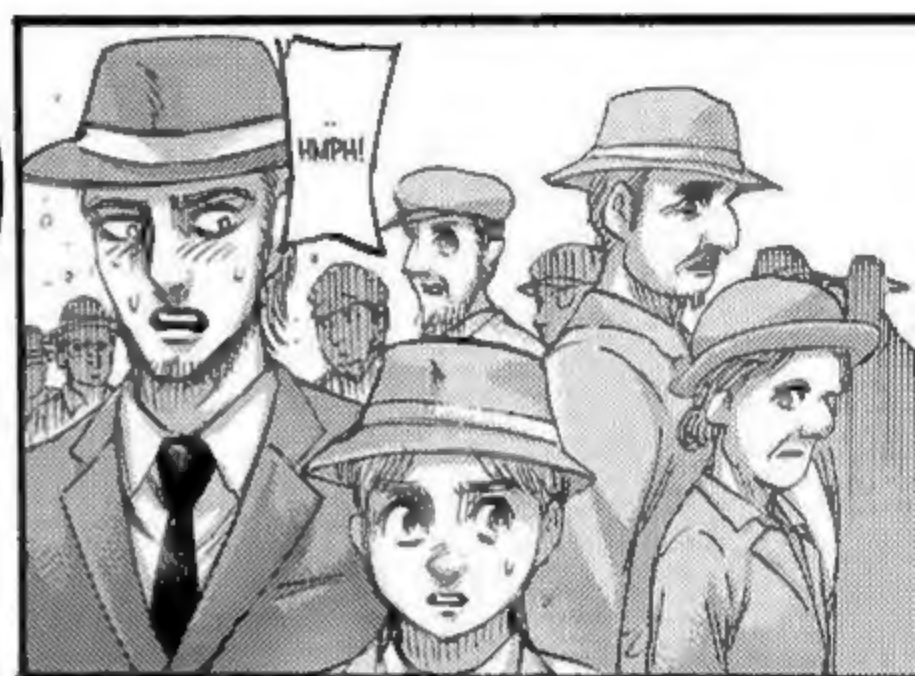
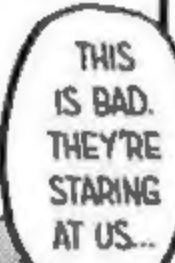
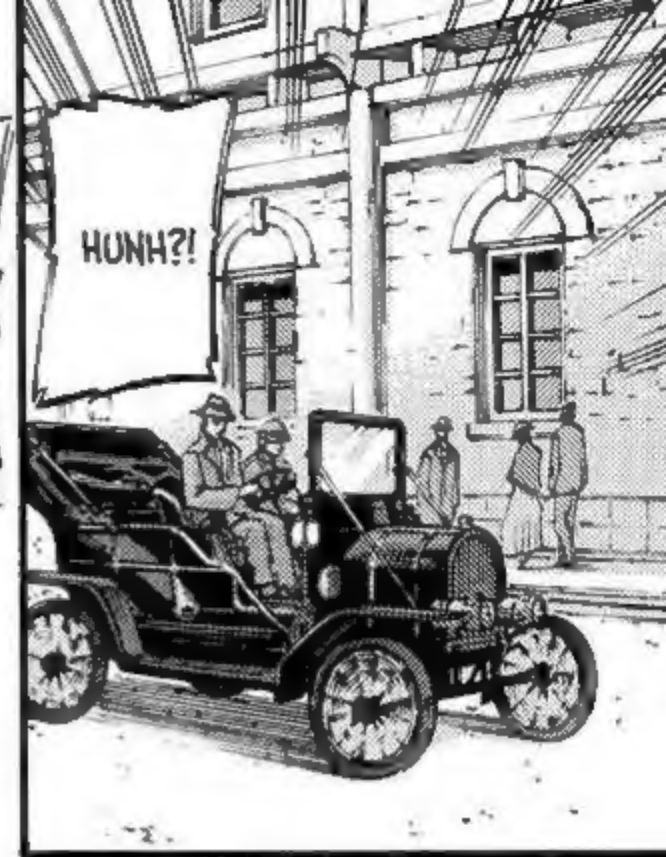


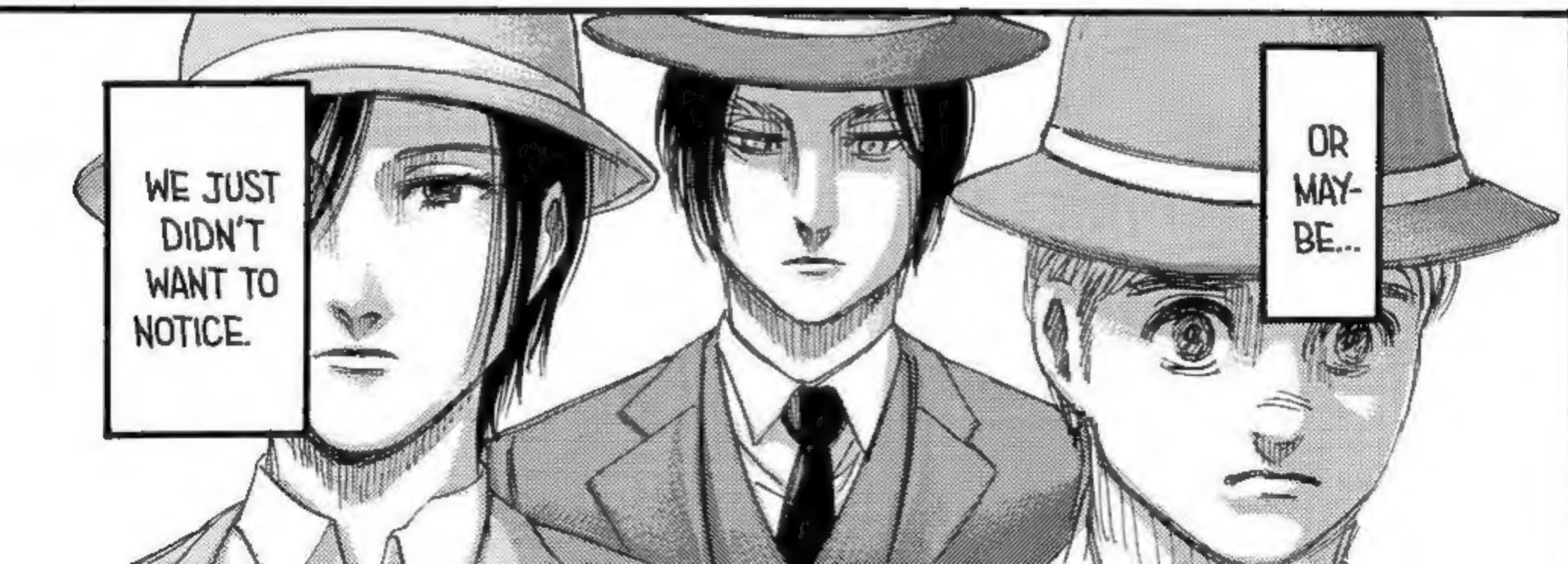
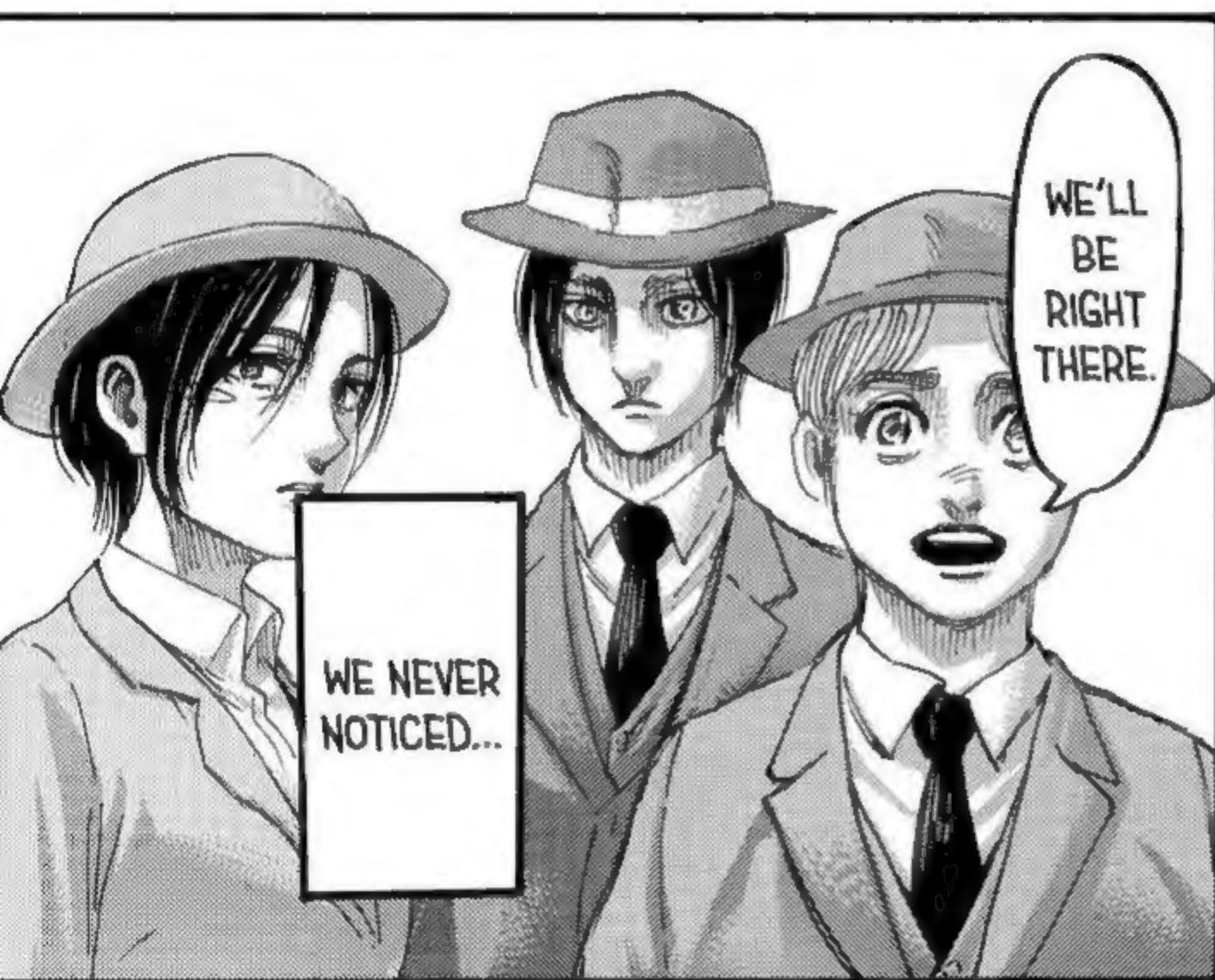
Chapter 123: Island Devils



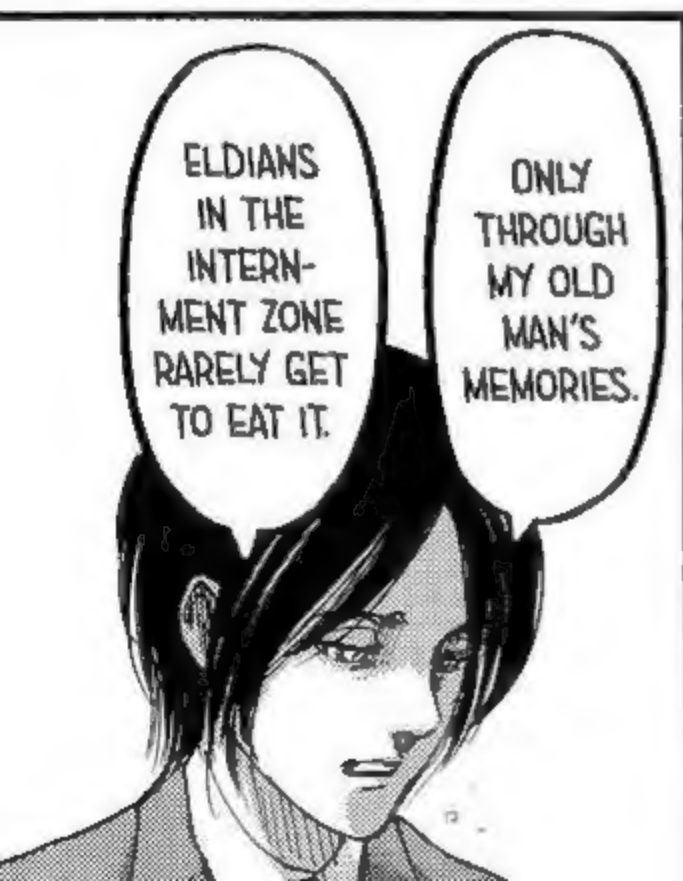
ALLOW ME
TO GUIDE
YOU TO MISS
AZUMABITO'S
ESTATE.

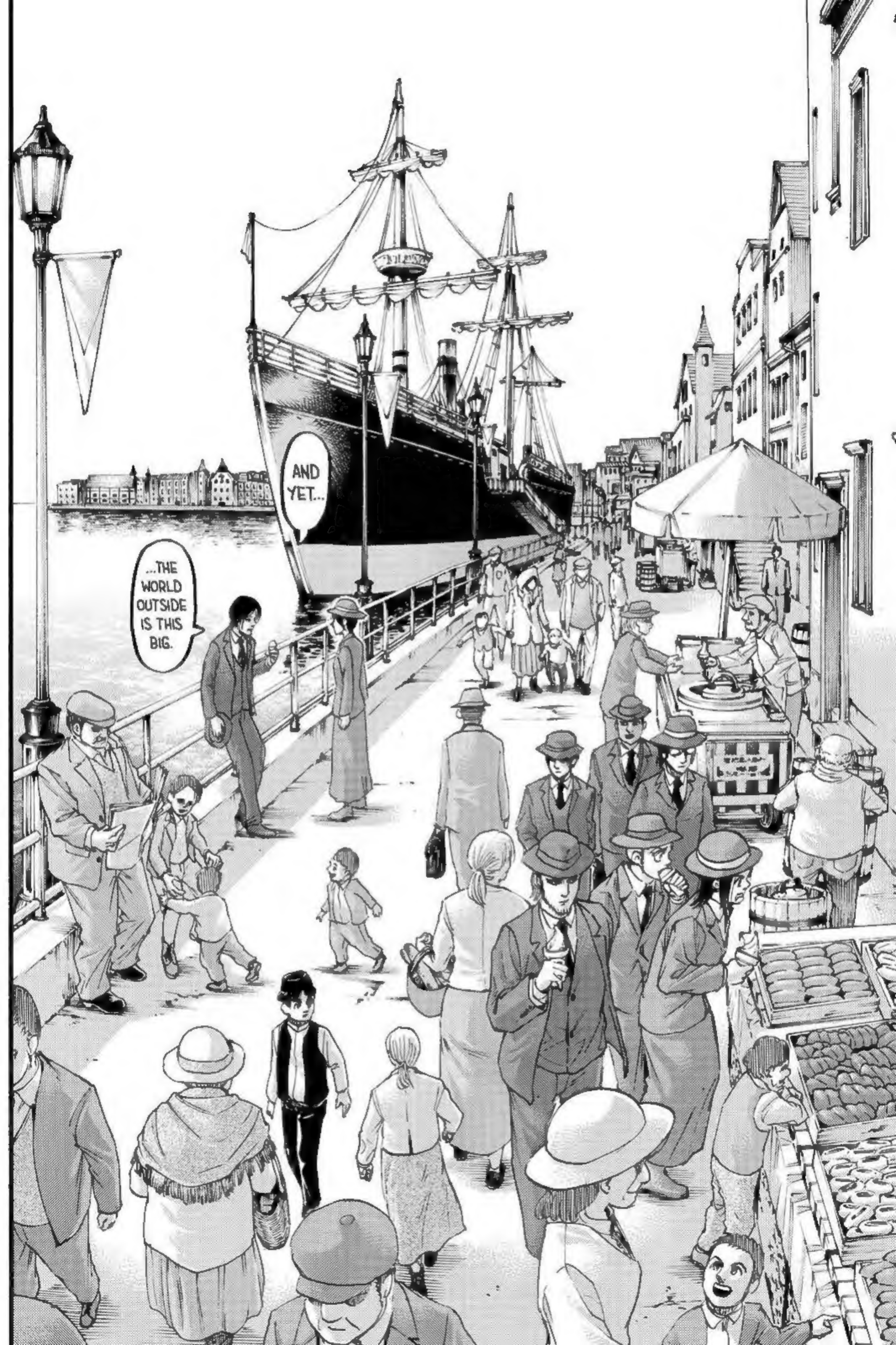
WELCOME
TO THE
CONTINENT
OF MARLEY.











AND
YET...

...THE
WORLD
OUTSIDE
IS THIS
BIG.



THAT'S
NOT YOUR
PURSE.



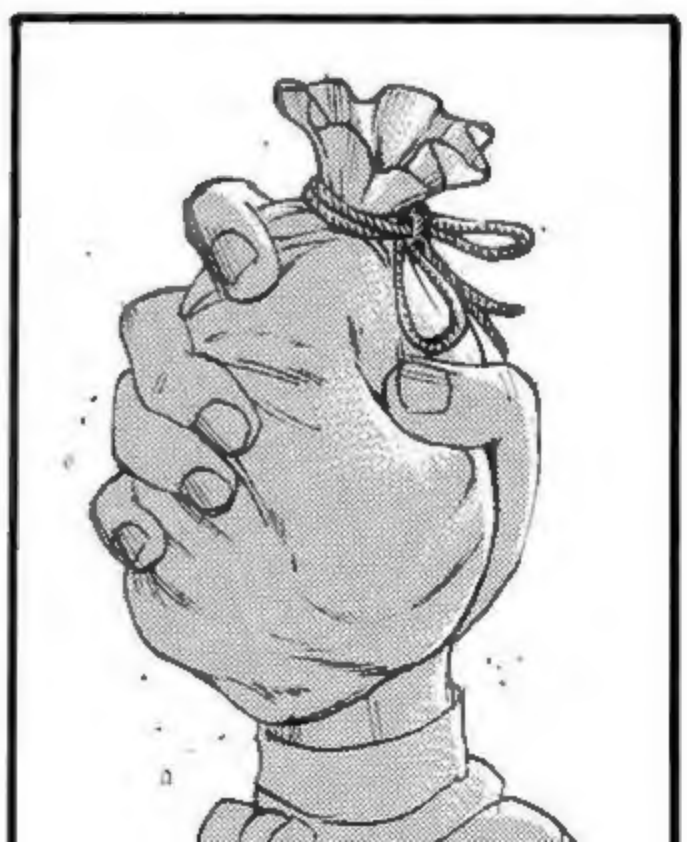
HEY.

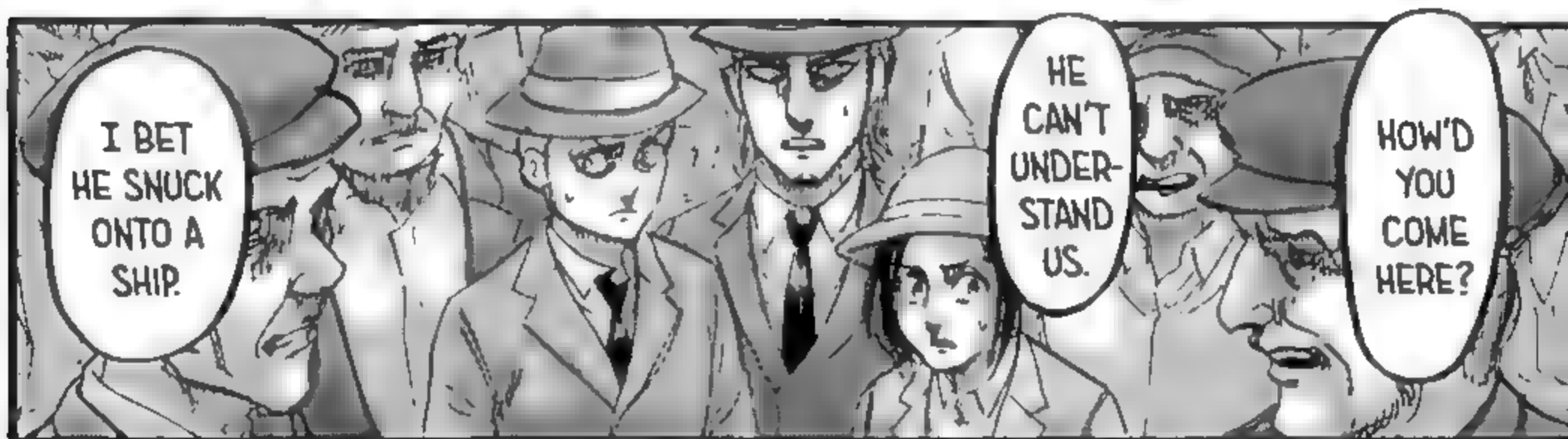


ANOTHER
ONE OF
THOSE
IMMI-
GRANTS.



A PICK-
POCKET
!







IT'D BE NO LAUGHING MATTER IF WE LET DEVIL'S BLOOD SLIP INTO OUR COMMUNITIES.

EVERY COUNTRY'S BEEN RUNNING BLOOD TESTS ALL OVER THE PLACE LATELY.

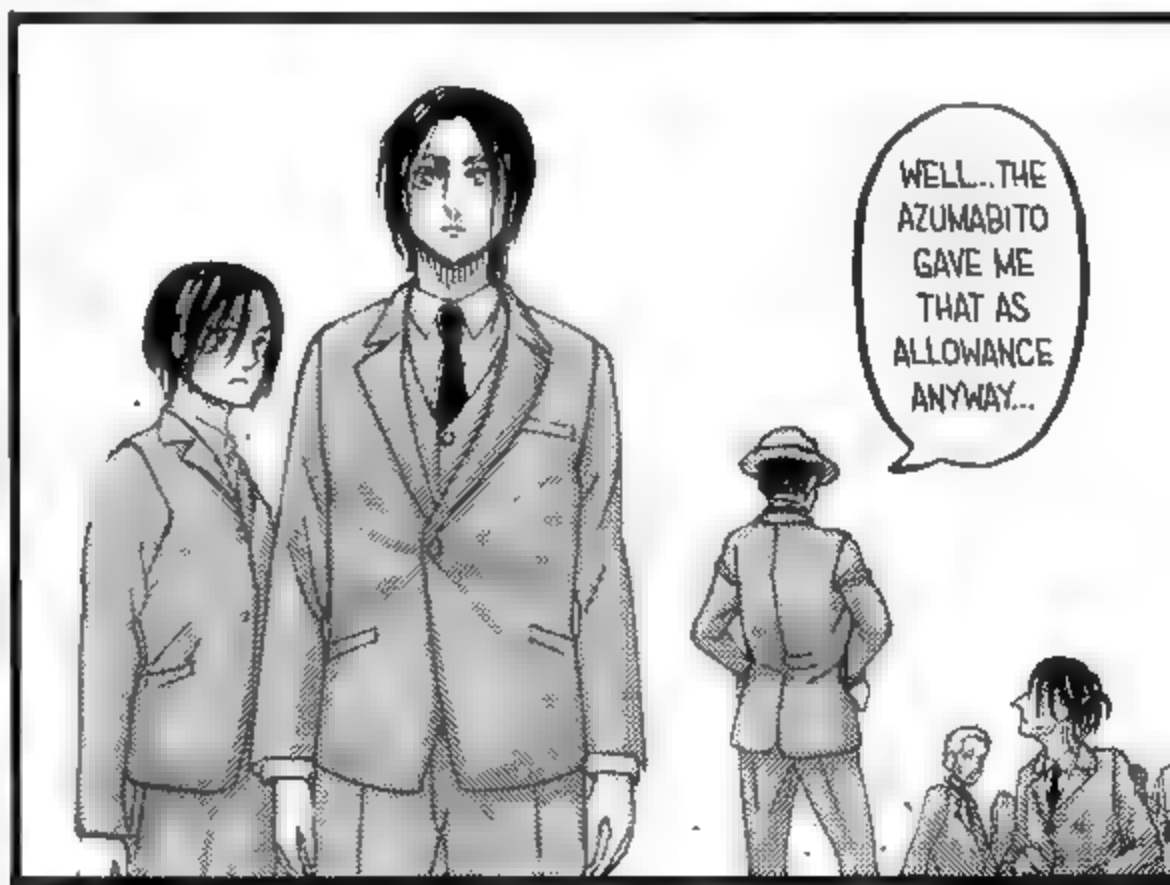
WHO KNOWS. IF HE'S AN EXILED IMMIGRANT, HE MIGHT EVEN BE ONE OF THOSE SUBJECTS OF YMIR!




I JUST SAID THAT WASN'T HIS PURSE.

WHO SAID HE WAS A PICK-POCKET?


HEY... WHAT'RE YOU DOING?






IT IS TRUE
THAT AS BLOOD
TESTING TECHNOLOGY
HAS IMPROVED, THE
ISSUE HAS ARISEN OF
SUBJECTS OF YMIR
WHO HAVE ESCAPED
INTERMENT BEING
DISCOVERED AROUND
THE WORLD.


I SEE...
SO THAT
HAPPENED
TO YOU?



BUT AS
THE EMPIRE
CRUMBLED, THE
ARISTOCRACIES WHO
FAWNED UPON ELDIA
FOUND THEMSELVES
BEING CHASED FROM
THEIR NATIONS.



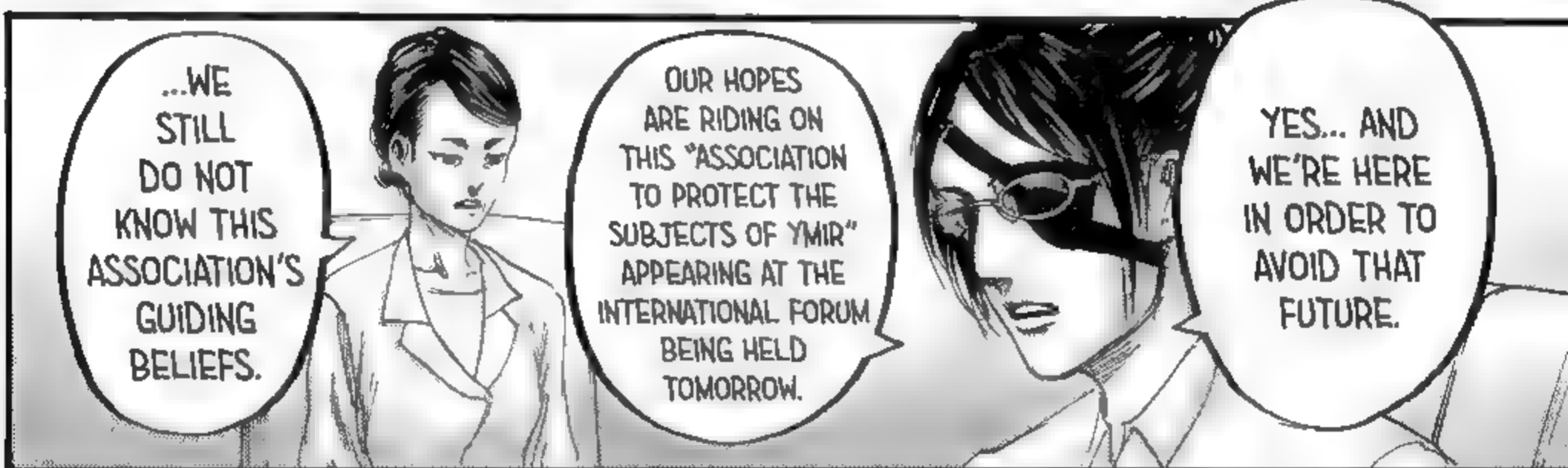
AT THE HEIGHT
OF THE ELDIAN EMPIRE,
IT WAS CONSIDERED
AROUND THE WORLD
TO BE PROOF OF ONE'S
HIGH-BORN STATUS
TO HAVE A SUBJECT
OF YMIR IN ONE'S
BLOODLINE.

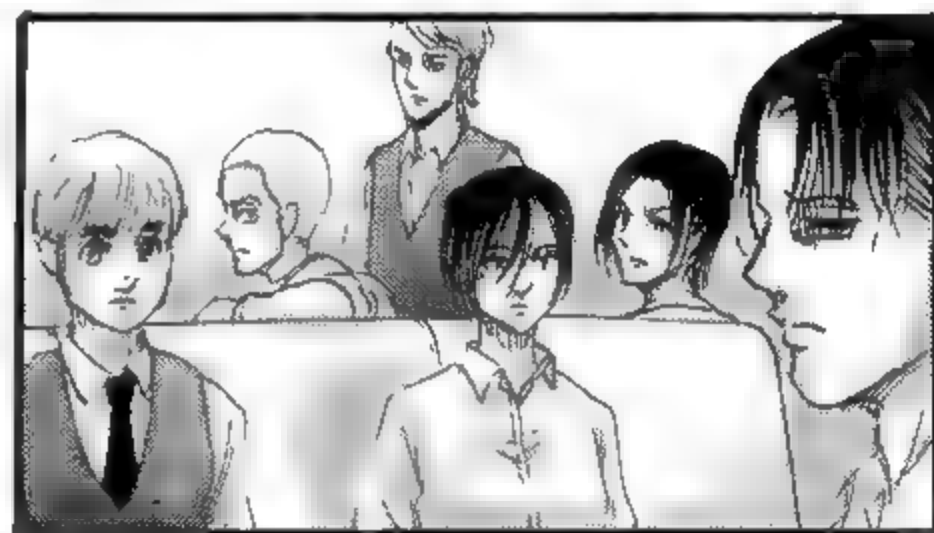


AND SO I
MUST ADMIT IT
WILL BE VERY
DIFFICULT TO
CARRY OUT
OUR PLAN...

...OF
PARADIS
FORMING
FRIENDLY
RELATIONSHIPS
WITH OTHER
NATIONS.

THIS IS
THE STATE OF
THE ELDIAN
PEOPLE
OUTSIDE THE
WALLS...







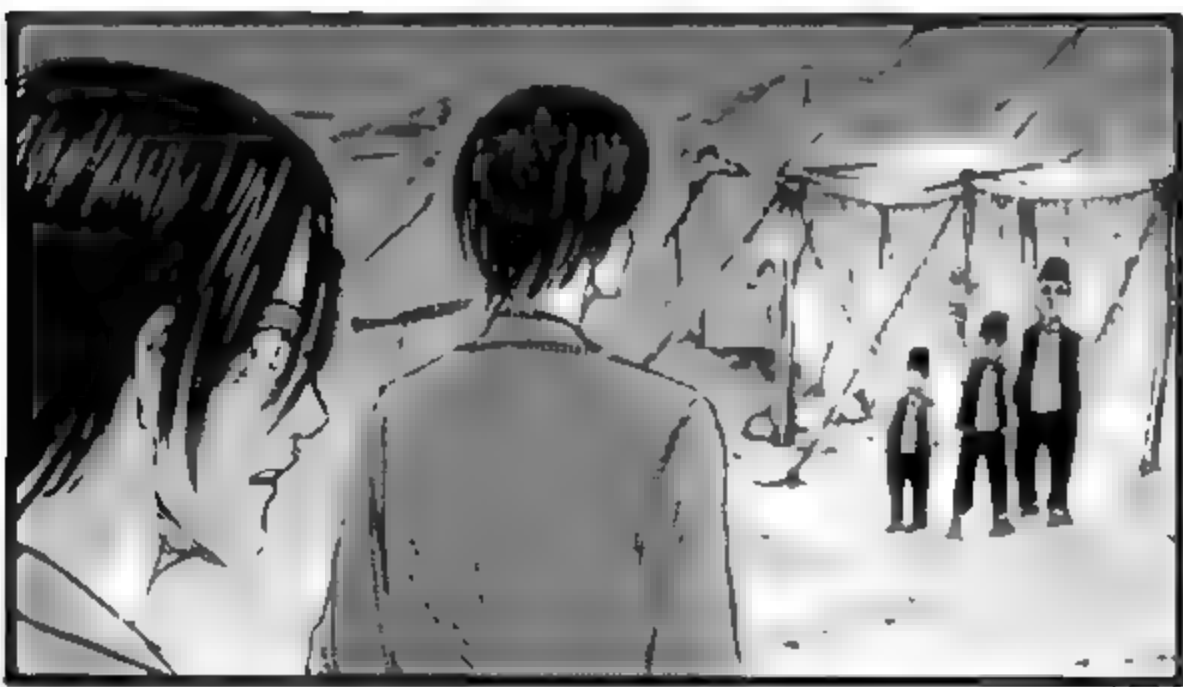
EREN



WE'VE
ALL BEEN
RUNNING
AROUND
LOOKING
FOR
YOU...



YOU DO
REALIZE THAT
YOU'RE OUR
ENEMIES'
MOST WANTED
TARGET, DON'T
YOU...?





WHERE
ARE
WE?

WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN?

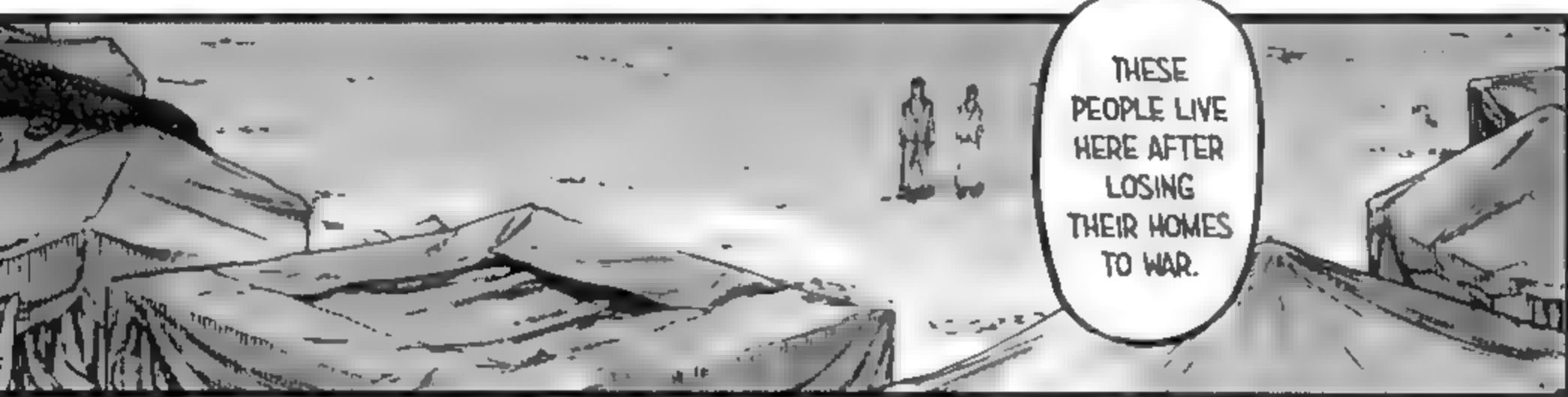


...NOT
YET.



THE
BOY
FROM THE
MARKET
?

...DID
SOME-
THING
HAPPEN?



THESE
PEOPLE LIVE
HERE AFTER
LOSING
THEIR HOMES
TO WAR.



EVERY-
THING
WAS
TAKEN
FROM
US.

REGULAR
LIFE
STOPPED
FOR US
ONE DAY

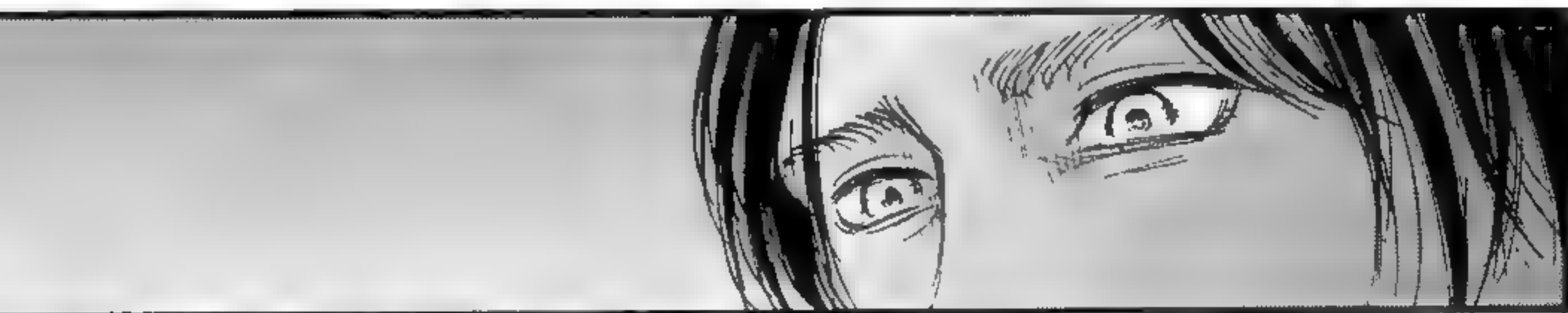
JUST
LIKE
US.

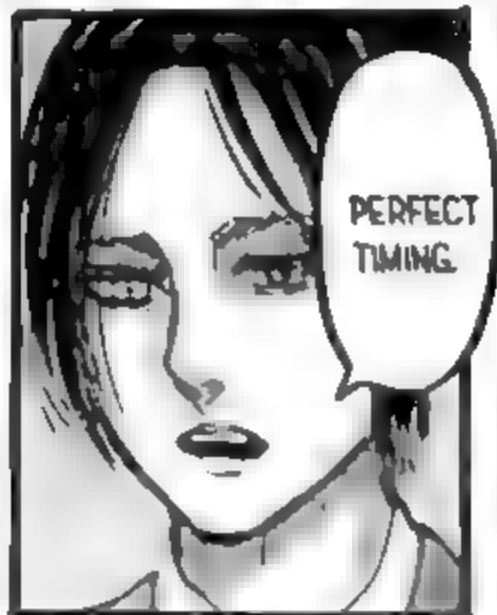


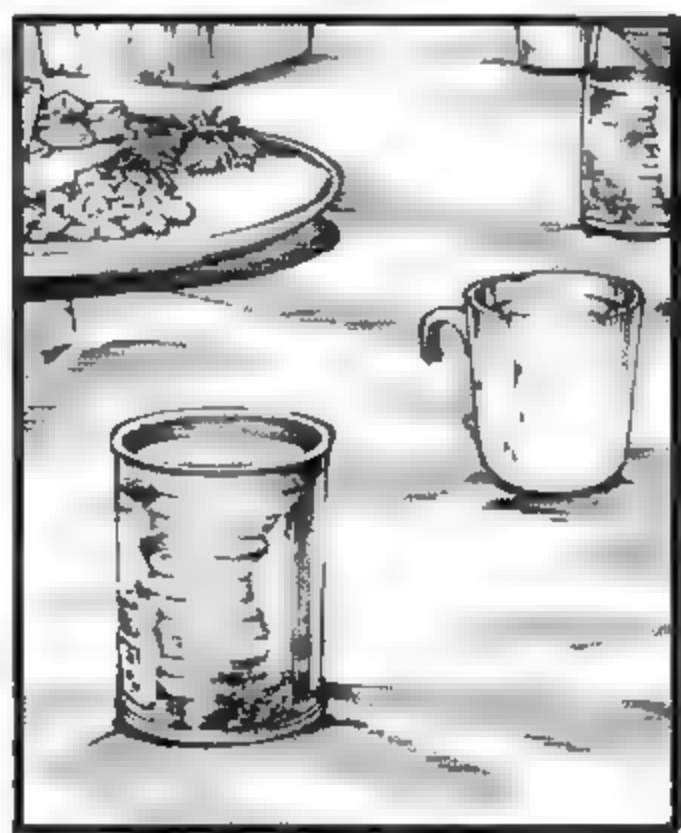
TAKEN
AWAY.

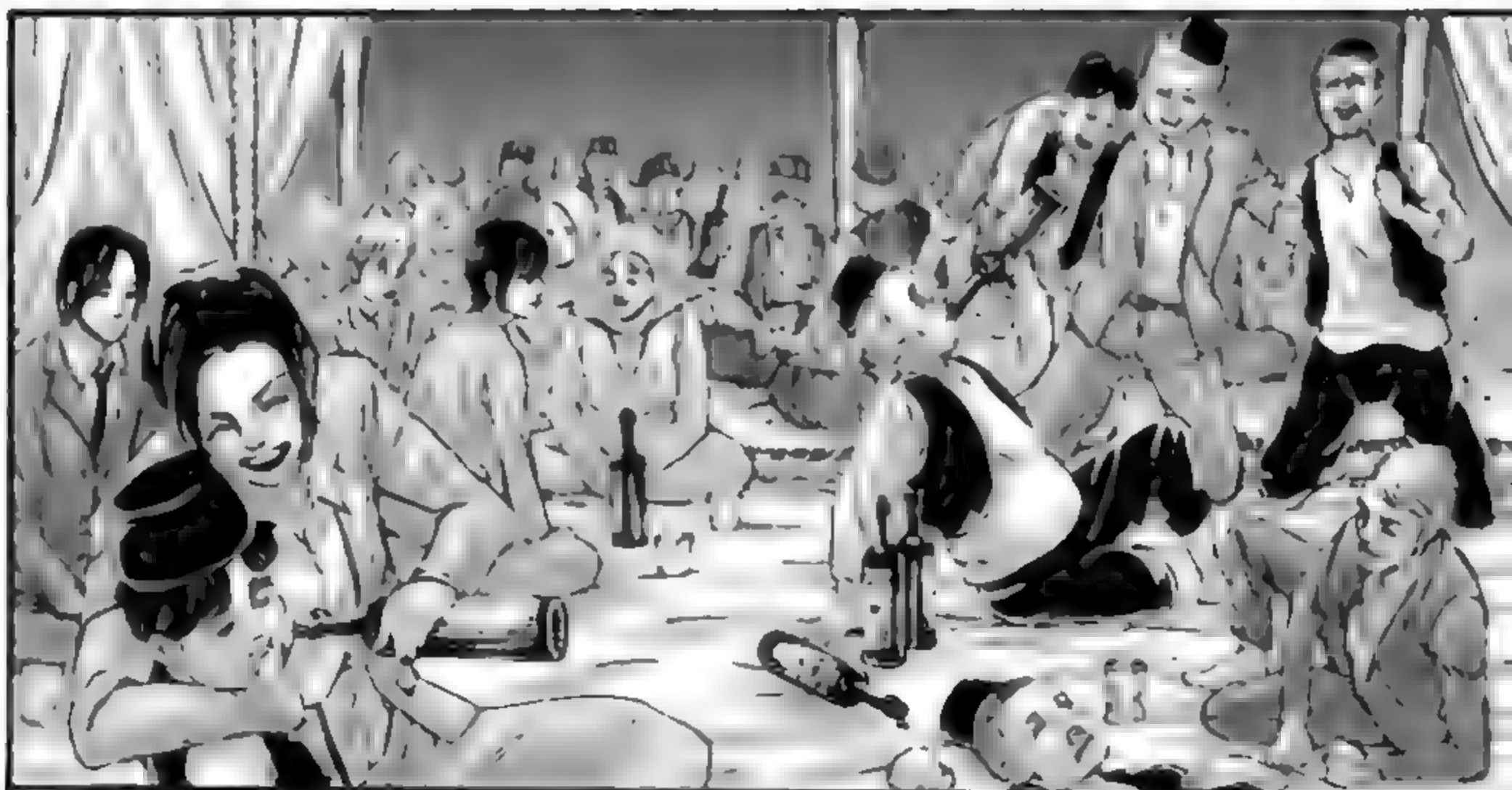
ALL OF
THEIR
FREEDOM
...

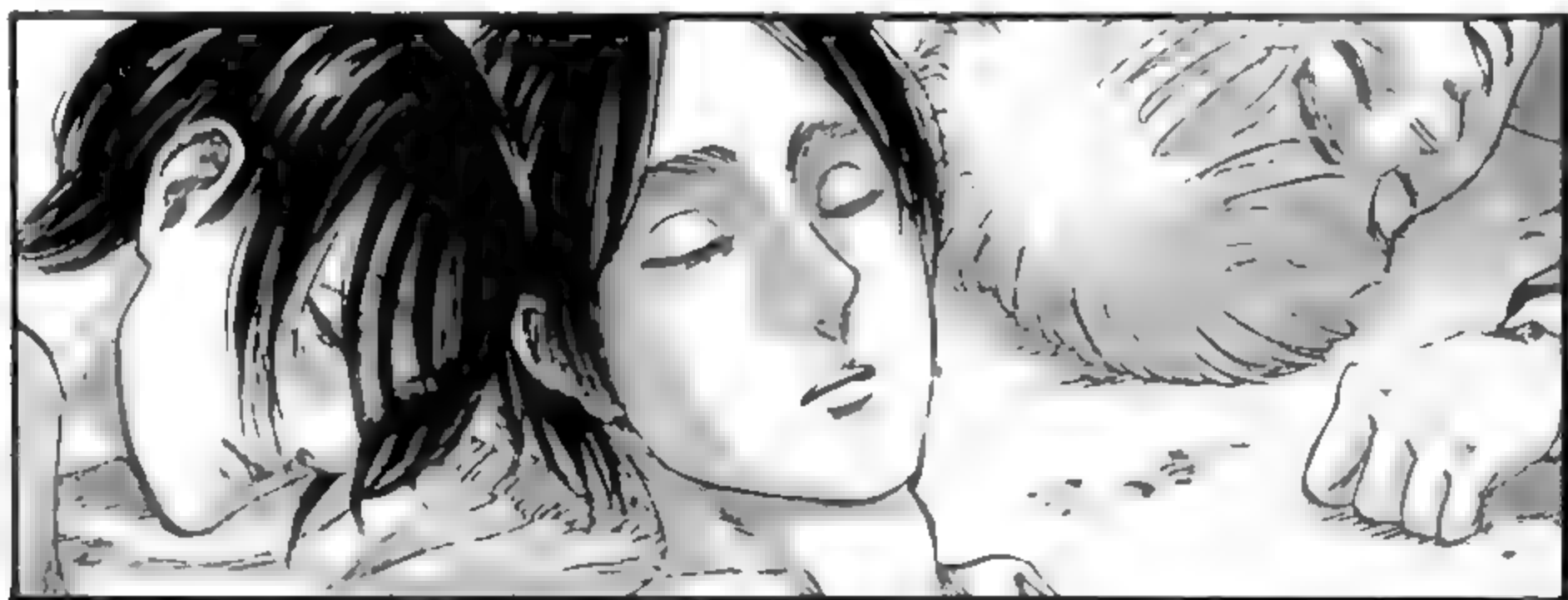












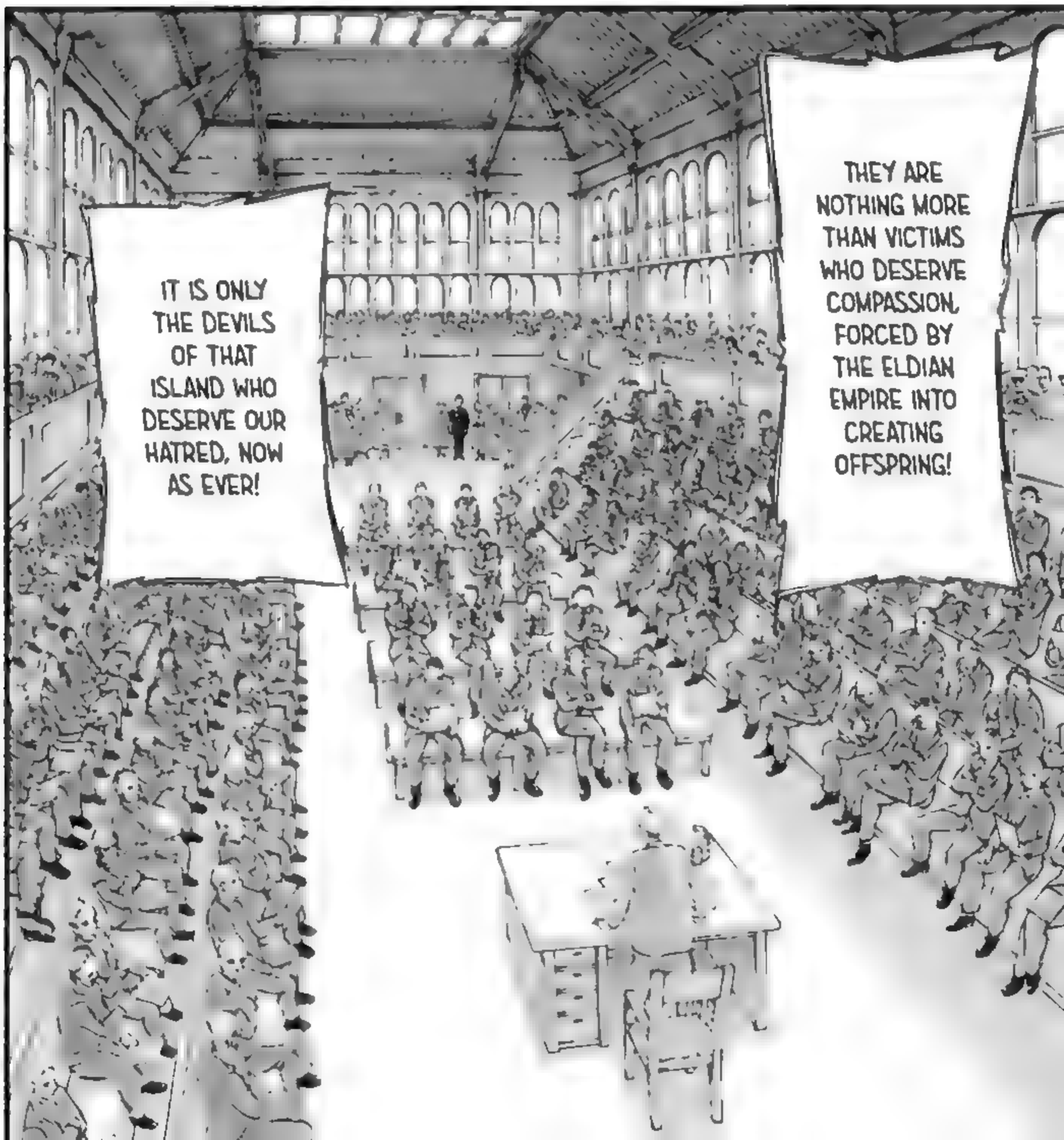
THESE REFUGEES
WERE NEVER ONCE
ELDIANS, NOR DO
THEY HAVE ANYTHING
TO DO WITH THE
DANGEROUS
IDEOLOGIES OF THE
ELDIAN EMPIRE

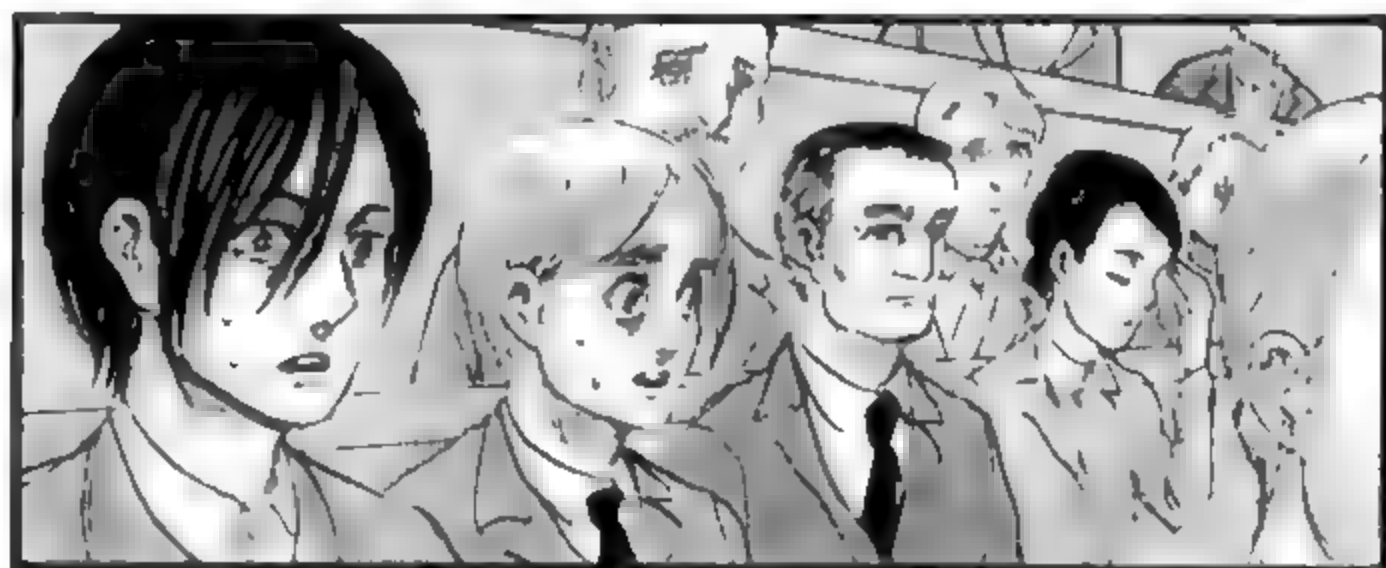


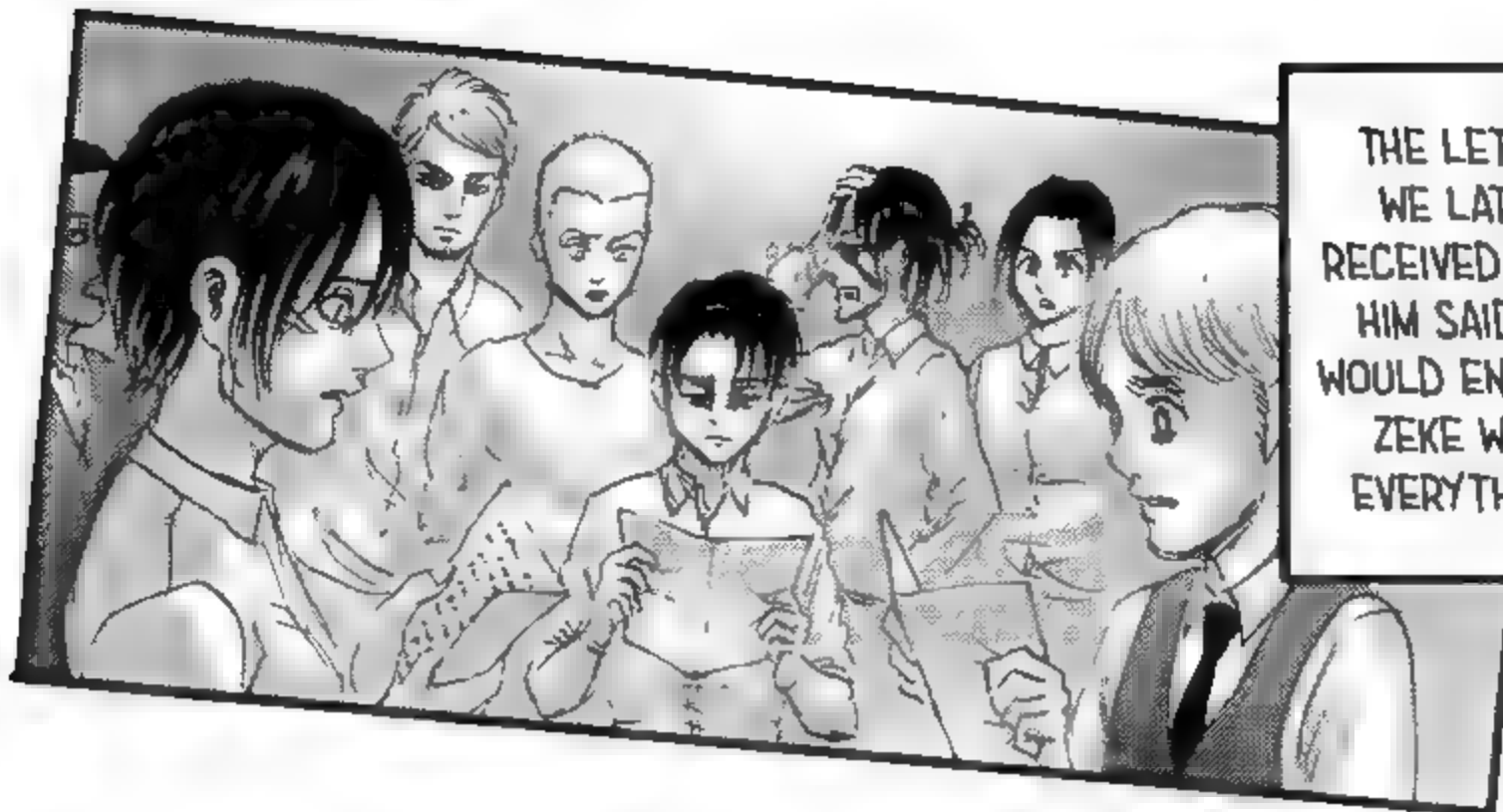
WE SEEK AID FOR
THE DISPLACED
SUBJECTS OF
YMR SCATTERED
ACROSS NATIONS!

IT IS ONLY
THE DEVILS
OF THAT
ISLAND WHO
DESERVE OUR
HATRED, NOW
AS EVER!

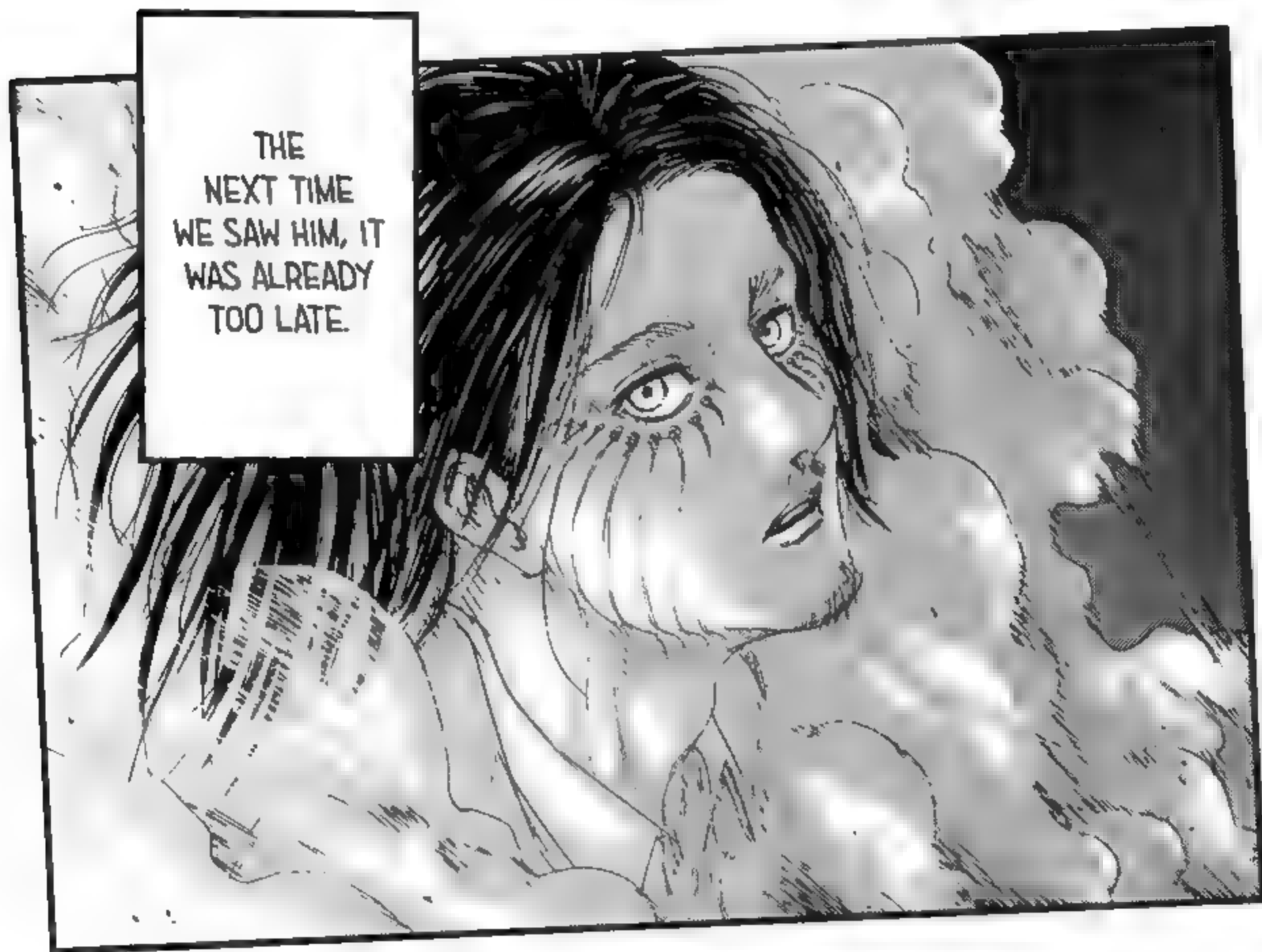
THEY ARE
NOTHING MORE
THAN VICTIMS
WHO DESERVE
COMPASSION,
FORCED BY
THE ELDIAN
EMPIRE INTO
CREATING
OFFSPRING!







THE LETTER
WE LATER
RECEIVED FROM
HIM SAID HE
WOULD ENTRUST
ZEKE WITH
EVERYTHING.

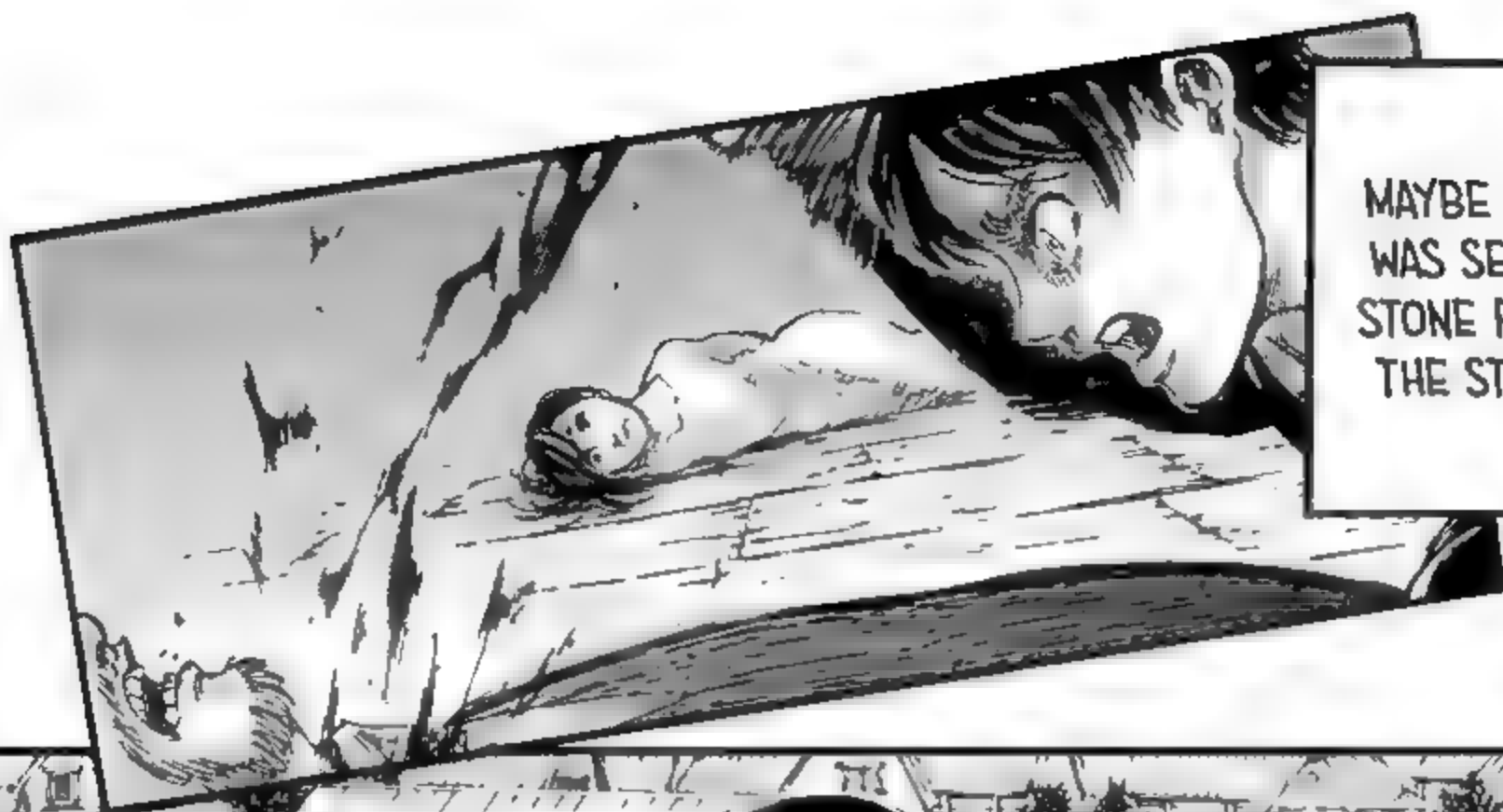


THE
NEXT TIME
WE SAW HIM, IT
WAS ALREADY
TOO LATE.



...IF THERE
WAS ANY
OTHER
CHOICE
WE COULD
HAVE
MADE.

I
WON-
DER...



MAYBE THIS
WAS SET IN
STONE FROM
THE START.

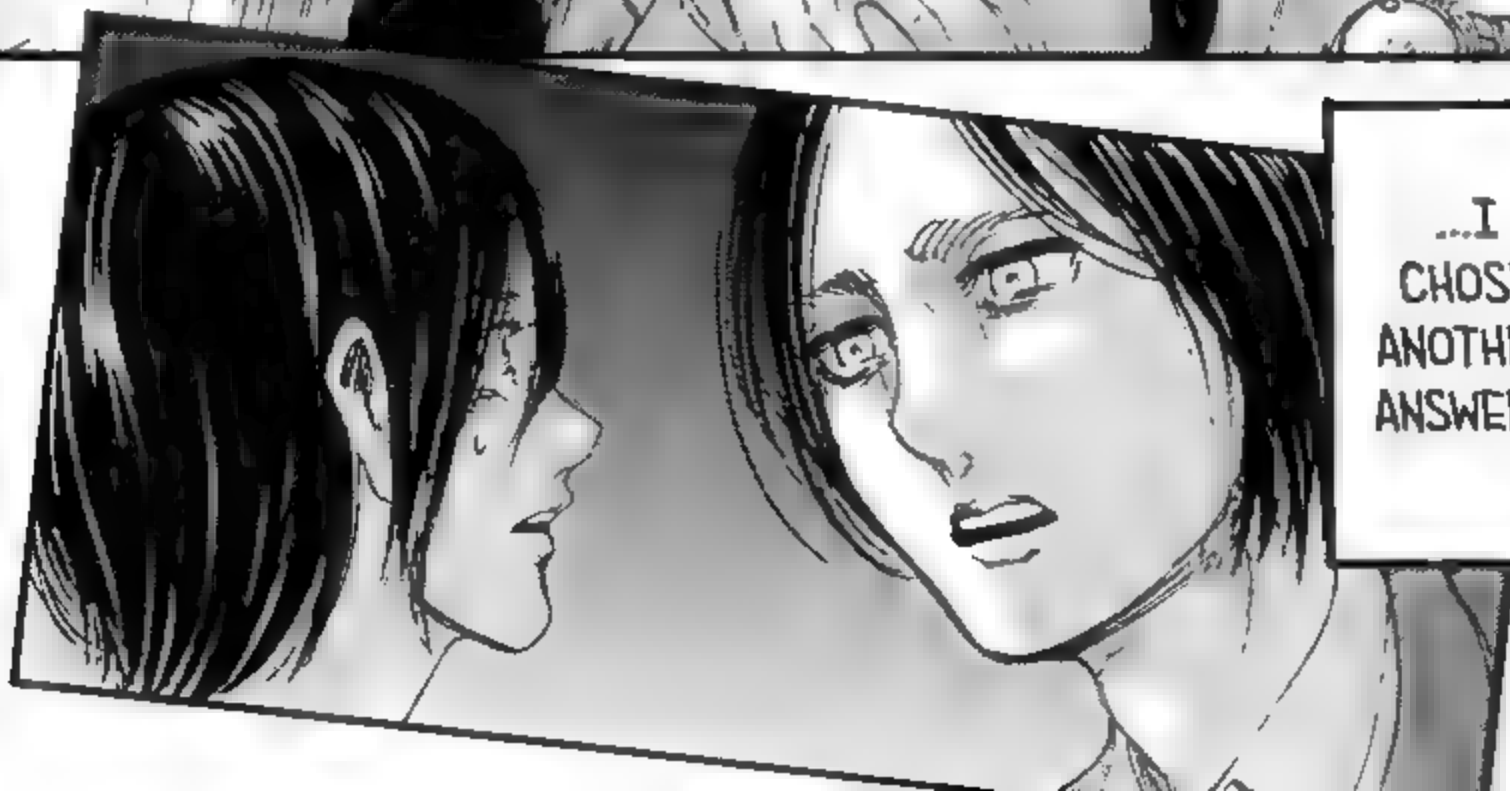


I
HAVE
TO
THINK.

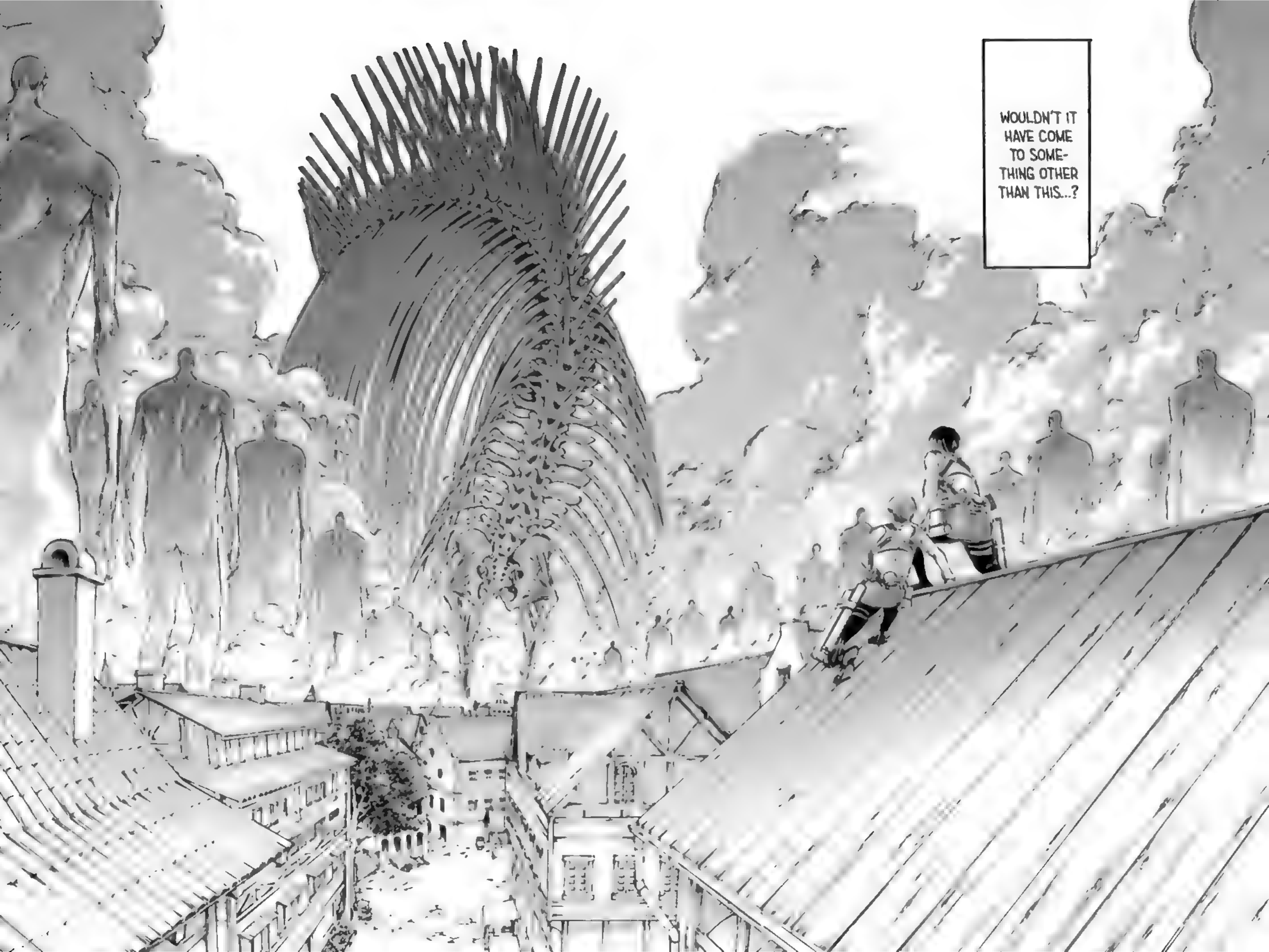
STILL...

WHAT
IF...

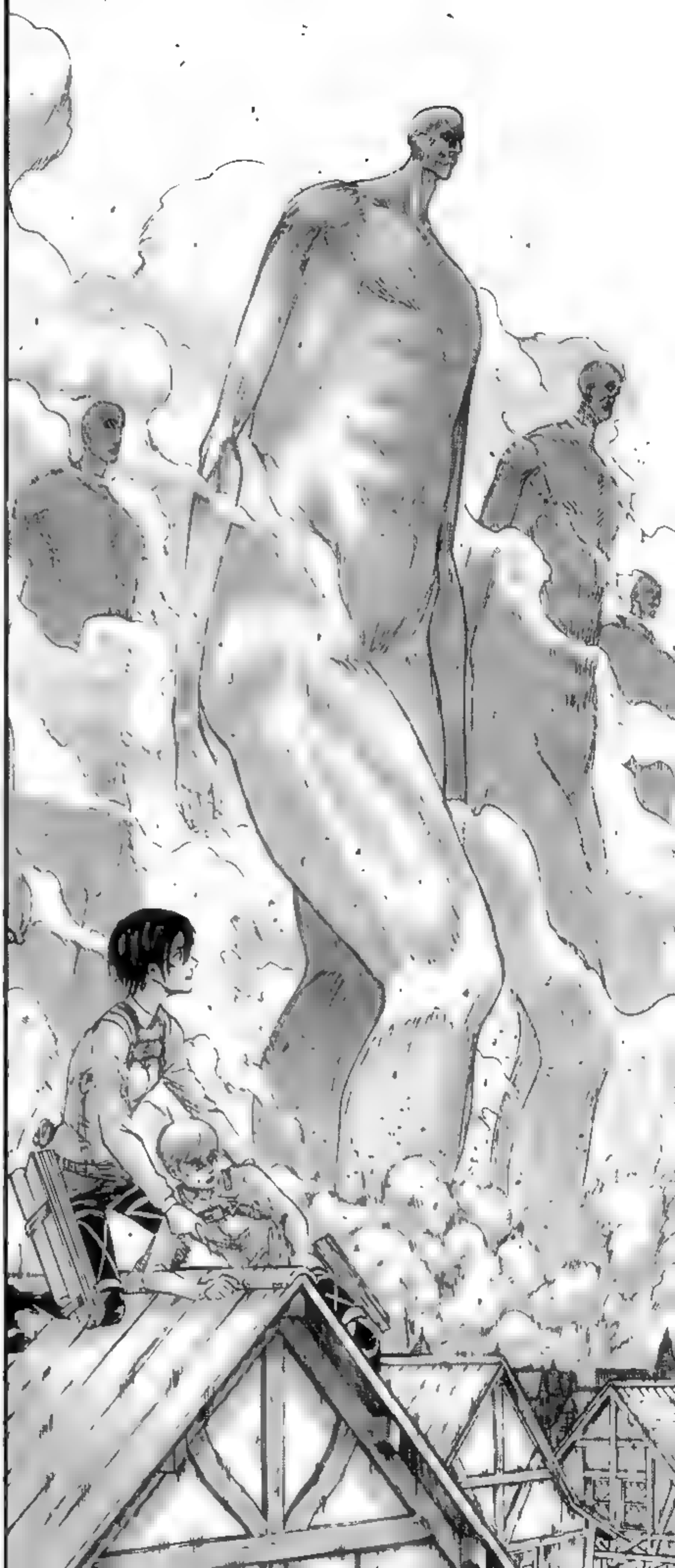
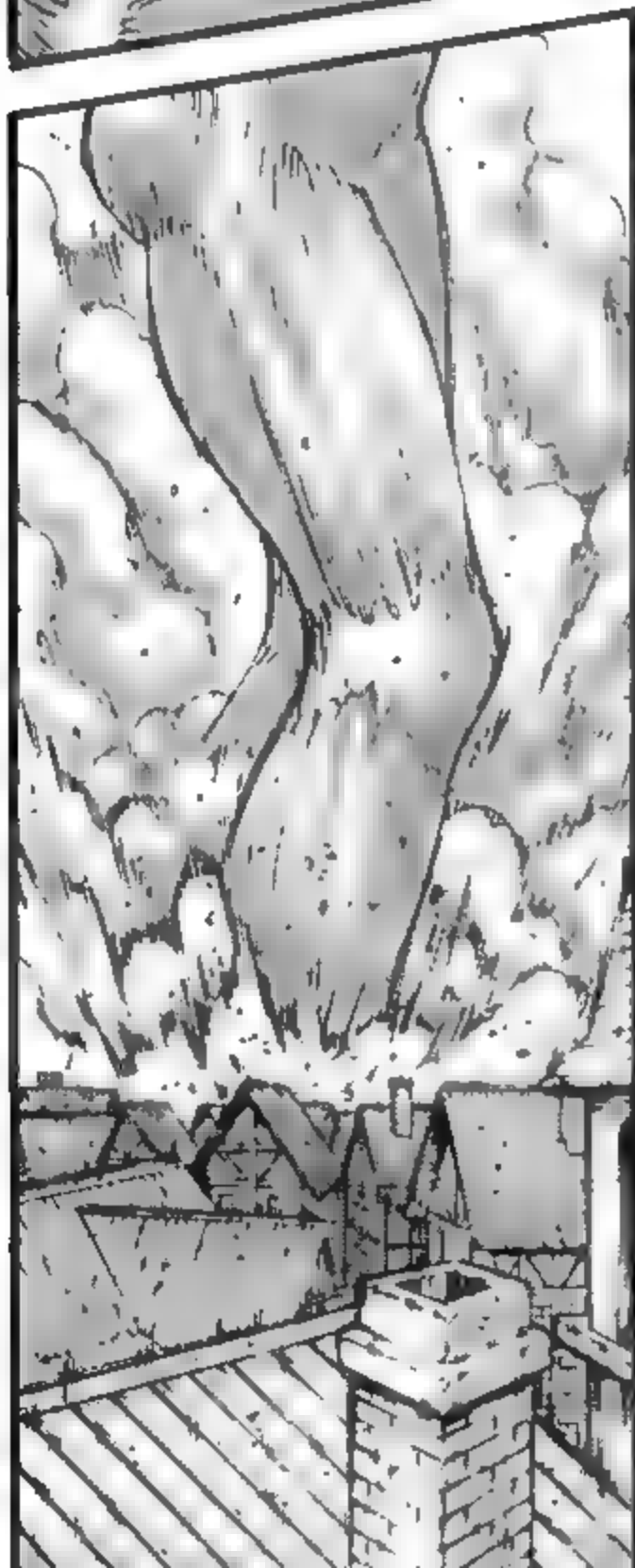
...
THAT
DAY
...




...I
CHOSE
ANOTHER
ANSWER?

A black and white manga-style illustration. In the background, a massive, dome-shaped monster with a spiky, porcupine-like top rises above a city. The city features various buildings, including a prominent one with a dome on the left. In the foreground, a wide, straight road leads towards the monster. Several figures are on the road: a person in a dark uniform with a backpack is walking away from the viewer, and a group of people, including a man in a light-colored shirt and dark pants, are further ahead. The sky is filled with smoke or clouds. A speech bubble is located in the upper right corner.

WOULDN'T IT
HAVE COME
TO SOME-
THING OTHER
THAN THIS...?





IT'S BIG...
TOO BIG.

WHAT IS
THAT...?!

IT
LOOKS
LIKE IT
APPEARED
FROM
WHERE
EREN WAS.

THAT'S...

DID

EREN

WON

WE

NOT
HEAR
YOU!

EREN HAS
COMMAND
OF THE
FOUNDER!

HE'S
PLANNING ON
CRUSHING
THE ALLIED
FORCES ALL
GATHERED IN
MARLEY!

IF THE
RUMBLING
STARTED
IMMEDIATELY,
THAT MUST BE
BECAUSE IT'S
WHAT EREN
WANTED!



EREN'S ON
OUR SIDE!

HOW
COULD
HE NOT
BE?!

ZEKE
...



TO OUR
SIDE...?

EREN

...CAME
BACK?

WHAT
...?

THAT'S

WHY

...NO.

MIKASA!

EVEN WALL MARIA HAS BEEN DESTROYED!

THERE'S NO NEED TO GO THAT FAR IF HE JUST WANTS TO DESTROY THE ALLIED FORCES IN MARLEY!

THE HUNDREDS OF TITANS IN SHIGANSHINA DISTRICT'S OUTER WALL... SHOULD BE MORE THAN ENOUGH!

WHY SACRIFICE THE WALLS JUST TO ATTACK?!

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IF HE JUST WANTED TO CRUSH THE ALLIED FORCES GATHERED IN MARLEY...!

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HEAR ME, ALL
SUBJECTS OF YMR.





I NOW
SPEAK TO ALL THE
SUBJECTS OF YMIR
BY WAY OF THE
FOUNDING TITAN'S
POWER.

MY NAME
IS EREN
YEAGER.



EVERY WALL ON
THE ISLAND OF
PARADIS HAS BEEN
UNHARDENED.


ALL OF THE
TITANS BURIED
WITHIN THEM
HAVE BEGUN
TO WALK.





MY GOAL...

...IS TO PROTECT THE
PEOPLE OF PARADIS, WHO
BORE ME AND RAISED ME.



THEY SURELY WILL NOT
STOP UNTIL THEY HAVE
KILLED EVERY ONE OF
THE SUBJECTS OF YMIR.

BUT THE WORLD DESIRES
THE EXTINCTION OF THE
PEOPLE OF PARADIS.

OVER COUNTLESS YEARS,
THEIR HATRED HAS GROWN
BEYOND THIS ISLAND.

I REJECT THEIR
DESIRE.



...ARE
ELIMINATED
FROM THIS
WORLD.

THE TITANS OF THE WALLS
WILL TRAMPLE AND RUMBLE
ALL THE LANDS BEYOND
THIS ISLAND.

UNTIL
THE LIVES
THERE...